



**Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting**

**WCAPDD Conference Room  
1000 Central Ave. Hot Springs, AR  
May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 10:00 AM**

**MINUTES**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Derrick Harris, MPO Study Director, called the meeting to order at approximately 10:01 AM

**B. INTRODUCTION**

**(Quorum = 51% = 8 committee members; must include not less than four (4) from different jurisdictions/organizations)**

The following voting members and proxies were present:

- 1) Anthony Hunter – ARDOT
- 2) Jesse Konstanzer – ARDOT
- 3) Gary Carnahan – City of Hot Springs – City Engineer
- 4) Ron Sievwright – City of Hot Springs – Public Works Director
- 5) Gary Troutman – Hot Springs Metro Partnership
- 6) Donald Rowlett – City of Hot Springs – Airport Director
- 7) James Patton – Hot Springs Village POA
- 8) Jeffrey Carr – Garland County
- 9) Karl Lowry – Town of Fountain Lake
- 10) Chris Polychron – Chamber of Commerce
- 11) Ryan Richardson – Railroad Representative

**C. ACTION ITEMS**

**1) Meeting Minutes from February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

The meeting minutes from February 4<sup>th</sup> were presented. Karl Lowry made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Chris Polychron and passed unanimously.

**2) 2025 Public Participation Plan Update Final**

Mr. Harris presented the new updated Public Participation Plan (PPP) and highlighted the main changes where due to a cooperative and joint effort between the MPO's and ARDOT on updating TIP/STIP Amendment requirements. This would need to be reflected in the PPP as well; therefore an update was needed.

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James Patton made a motion to approve the item as presented, it was seconded by Gary Carnahan, and the motion passed unanimously.

**3) 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)**

This item covered the federal requirement to approve the UPWP annually, which is essentially the MPO's budget for planning, projects, and staffing. After some discussion James Patton made a motion to approve the item. The motion was seconded by Chris Polychron and the motion passed unanimously.

**4) 2050 Long-Range Transportation Plan – Project List Discussion**

Mr. Harris presented the draft list of projects to be included as the list of needs for the 2050 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update. After discussion about varying projects from intersections, interchanges, widenings, and safety concerns, a draft list was decided on, and recommended list was made. Mr. Harris reiterated the concerns and projects committee members highlighted and a consensus was met. This item required no formal action, so a formal vote was not taken.

**D. MPO REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No reports

**E. ARDOT REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No reports

**F. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No additional reports or announcements were made.

**G. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments were provided.

**H. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:14 a.m.